

State Librarian's Report February 18, 2014

1. HSPLS Awarded \$1.2 Million Grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services

The Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) awarded a grant of \$1.2 million to the Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) as part of the Library Services and Technology Act (LSTA) Grants to States Program. LSTA grants constitute the primary source of federal funding for America's libraries, and HSPLS uses this grant money to fund IT infrastructure, network and other technology costs, annual subscriptions to online databases, Microsoft IT Academy, Zinio Magazines for Libraries, our new online Hawaiian language learning course through Mango Languages', and Hawaii Mobile, our new HSPLS App. In addition, the grant funding pays for some eBook/eAudio/eMusic and Internet access costs.



2. Images at War's End at Kapolei Public Library

Kapolei Public Library partnered with multiple student groups from Kapolei High School (KHS), the USS Missouri Memorial Association and the National Archives to present the multi-media exhibit "Images at War's End: A Selection of Images of World War II from the National Archives collections." Kapolei Librarian Sheryl Lynch worked with history teacher Michael Peters' KHS History Club and Association staff, including Director of Special Projects Vincent Rojas, Memorial Education Encampment Coordinator Josh Stutz, Memorial Curator Mike Widenbach, and volunteer David Suhs, to teach students how to create a museum-quality exhibit in a public venue. KHS Media & Graphics teacher Victor Salazar filmed the evolution of the project and created the publicity flyer for the exhibit, and Kevin Rice's KHS Woodshop class designed, built, and installed the exhibit. The Library's display case is filled with artifacts, photographs, books, and models to accompany the exhibit. The display ends February 22.



3. Your Tax Donation Helps Hawaii's Public Libraries

Hawaii taxpayers can make donations to benefit Hawaii's public libraries by simply checking a box on their Hawaii State tax returns. Taxpayers can designate \$2.00 from an individual income tax return or \$4.00 from a joint return, for the Hawaii Public Libraries Fund. A total of \$71,890 was donated to Hawaii's public libraries during 2013, which enabled HSPLS to purchase books and other materials for patrons of all ages.

Since January 2005, Hawaii taxpayers have donated \$702,836 to the HSPLS Special Fund. Mahalo for your continuing support!

4. Lahaina Public Library Offers Free Computer Lessons

Lahaina Public Library staff now offers free computer lessons for the public. The lessons will take place Wednesdays from 9-12, and Saturday from 10-2. The 30 minute sessions will teach patrons basic internet skills, how to create email accounts, and how to create and manipulate Word and PowerPoint documents. Patrons can make appointments by calling 808-662-3950.



5. Manoa Public Library Hosts Community Health Day, March 8

Manoa Public Library will host the Manoa Community Health Day, a free informational event with demonstrations, programs and speakers, on Saturday, March 8 from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the Library's Programming Room. Participants will learn about various complementary health therapies and see live demonstrations by an acupuncturist, chiropractic doctor, massage therapist, and master yoga instructor. These professional practitioners will provide answers to any questions attendees may have. Participating practitioners include: Cindy Ogata, Licensed Massage Therapist; Dorian Wright, Yoga Master; Mark Bartolome, Licensed Massage Therapist; Mei-Lin Maunakea, Licensed Acupuncturist; and Robert Anderson, Doctor of Chiropractic Medicine.

6. HSPLS Joins the Big Library Read with "Keys to the Kitchen"

"Keys to the Kitchen: The Essential Reference for Becoming a More Accomplished, Adventurous Cook" by Food Network's star chef Aida Mollenkamp, will be available for all HSPLS patrons to check out in both eBook and Audiobook formats from February 17 to March 5 as part of the Big Library Read 2014 program.

The Big Read is an international program that provides libraries and library patrons with unlimited simultaneous access to a popular title for a two-week period, creating a virtual, global book club. "Keys to the Kitchen" is a comprehensive manual that features a collection of more than 300 innovative, contemporary recipes, color photos, informative illustrations, a substantial technique primer, and helpful how-to information for cooks. The Hawaii State Public Library System (HSPLS) invites readers to participate in this worldwide 2014 Big Library Read event from by visiting our website at www.librarieshawaii.org.



7. Branch Manager Meetings

Branch Managers from all islands met with HSPLS Administrators over the last month in a series of meetings. Agenda items included strategic planning, budget and legislative updates, a presentation on the programs and services available at the Library for the Blind and Physically Handicapped, local agenda items, other HSPLS news and sharing of best management practices.

